

## House Resolution No.

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge the life and lifetime achievements of one of the Show-Me State's most beloved senior citizens; and

**Whereas**, D. Pearl Potter commemorated the resplendent occasion of her One Hundred Fifth Birthday on May 9, 2004; and

**Whereas**, Pearl Potter came into this world in Polk County on May 9, 1899, as the tiny infant daughter born to proud and loving parents Benjamin W. Gorden and Cora O. Loftin Gorden, who welcomed her into their hearts as a precious gift from God; and

**Whereas**, Pearl embarked upon a new and exciting chapter in her life when she married her beloved Lester A. Potter, a kind and loving gentleman with whom she shared seventy years of wedded success and happiness until his passing from this world; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker who cared for her father-in-law and sister-in-law for many years, Pearl Potter enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a farmer's wife; and

**Whereas**, a talented quilter who derives an enormous amount of satisfaction from piece quilting, crocheting, gardening, and watching Cardinals baseball, Pearl Potter has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include her three children, Mildred Manuel, Dean Potter, and Reva Hill; and her ten grandchildren, seventeen great-grandchildren, eighteen great-great-grandchildren, and her three great-great-great-grandchildren, two of whom are twins; and

**Whereas**, now one hundred five years young, Pearl Potter faces the beginning of each day with renewed hope and happiness and continues to lead a good life, sharing her experiences and exciting stories of times gone by with those she holds most dear:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and birthday greetings to Pearl Potter as she proudly celebrates one hundred five years of achievement, and in wishing her much peace and prosperity as she continues her journey along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for D. Pearl Potter, as a mark of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Larry D. Wilson  
District No. 119

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of  
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second  
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct  
copy of House Resolution No. \_\_\_\_, adopted \_\_\_\_, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker